## Massachusetts Housing Partnership



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Mr. Gregory Niemyski, Chair Planning Board 472 Main Street Acton, MA 01720

January 17, 2007

Dear Mr. Niemyski,

I am writing to you because an application has recently been made for site approval to one of the state subsidizing agencies for an eight unit 40B development, Madison Place, in Acton.

The Massachusetts Housing Partnership (MHP) provides technical assistance to municipalities reviewing Ch. 40B permit applications. We provide this assistance by paying for a qualified 40B consultant to work with the Zoning Board of Appeals throughout the project review and decision process. This technical assistance is available at no cost to the municipality.

If you would like additional information about our Ch. 40B Technical Assistance Program or to make an application for assistance please call me at MHP, 617-330-9944 ext. 281. I am enclosing a description of the MHP 40B Program.

Sincerely,
Connie Hruges LT

Connie Kruger

Community Technical Assistance Manager

Wake 40B technical assistance and... work for your Take advantage of MHP's Philip Hamel, Chairman, Ware ZBA 111111

## **40B** Technical Assistance Program

MHP provides assistance to communities trying to increase their supply of affordable housing. One example is its technical assistance to local zoning boards of appeal to help them review Chapter 40B applications.

The program combines MHP staff assistance with up to \$10,000 in grant funding to hire consultants to review 40B proposals. Since 1999, MHP has provided 186 grants and helped 108 communities review 40B proposals.

For more information, contact MHP's Connie Kruger at <a href="mailto:ckruger@mhp.net">ckruger@mhp.net</a> or at 617-330-9944 x281 or write to MHP at 160 Federal Street, Boston, MA 02110.

On the web, go to: www.mhp.net/4oB

The 40B TA program is supported by the Department of Housing and Community Development, MassHousing, MassDevelopment and MHP.



Frant of card: Condos in Manchester, supported by the town, built with 40B

"What the MHP consultant did was listen, make suggestions, spot frictions and get both sides to sit down and compromise."

Kathy Lavin

"MHP was helpful in the beginning and the consultant was knowledgeable and accessible. The help was very useful, especially for a small town like ours."

Kathryn Sette Chairman, Eastham

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